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DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA AND DEFENCE
CANADA

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Minister's Office,
Ottawa, August 14th, 1918.

Dear Sir Robert Falconer,-

Re Lieut. Col. Gilbert Royce, C.A.M.C.

Your letter of July 25th has been duly received.

The matter of Colnel Royce's recall has been taken up with the Overseas Authorities.

So soon as a definite decision has been arrived at you will be communicated with.

Yours sincerely,

Acting Minister.

Sir Robert Falconer, K.C.M.G.,
President, University of Toronto,
Toronto, Ont.

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In reply please quote

GG/MM. No. 2DD 24-Ro-2.

MILITIA AND DEFENCE.

1 Queen's Park,
TORONTO, Ont., August 10th, 1918.

Sir, Robert A. Falconer,
President, University of Toronto,
TORONTO, Ont.

#1072, Cpl. F. L. Robinson.

Dear Sir,-

In reply to your letter of July 19th, I beg to advise you that Militia Headquarters, Ottawa have instructed me to grant the marginally noted N. C. O. six months' Leave of Absence, without pay, at the end of which time he will report and his case will be re-considered.

Yours truly,

Major, C.F.A.,
A/ O. C. No. 2 District Depot.

In view of the difficulties created by the soldiers who are returning to Canada without complete Matriculation standing, and who wish to enter upon University or Professional Courses, the University Matriculation Board would urge upon the Authorities in charge of Entrance and other qualifying conditions in respect of such ~~cases~~ courses - especially in Arts, Law, Medicine, and Dentistry - the desirability of framing special regulations to meet the needs of these soldiers, who cannot be expected to return to School and who should be given all reasonable co-operation in gaining the education they desire.

By its constitution the University Matriculation Board is empowered to issue certificates only on the basis of standards which have been established by the joint action of the Universities of the Province, and the Board can go no further than it has already gone in making generous allowances to meet exceptional conditions. It remains for the several Universities and Professional Schools concerned to deal with those cases - and they will undoubtedly present themselves in rapidly increasing number - in which it will be impossible for the Board to issue the certificates which have heretofore been the main or the only basis of admission to, or completion of, at least some of the Courses indicated.

C O P Y.

H.Q. 1064-30-46.

CONFIDENTIAL.

OTTAWA, September 25th, 1918.

District Officer Commanding,
Military District No. 2,
Toronto, Ontario.

Officers with Medical and Dental undergraduate standing.

Any such officer as is above referred to, whether he has returned from England or may hereafter return, or is now serving Overseas or in Canada, is to be allowed the following options, with effect from September 1st, 1918:-

1st. To be given leave of absence without pay while pursuing his professional studies and to be carried on the strength of the District Depot or other unit in Canada, supernumerary to establishment.

2nd. To be struck off the strength of the C.E.F. and transferred to the reserve of Officers, C.E.F., (thus being entitled to post discharge pay, but foregoing his right for the future to so much of it as he now receives).

3rd. To enlist in the C.A.M.C. or the C.A.D.C. (as the case may be) with the rank of sergeant, coming under the provisions of Routine Order 1110 so far as this is applicable. Any officer of the active militia adopting this course will be seconded from his active militia unit while serving in the C.E.F. Any officer of the C.E.F. only, or an officer whose commission in the militia is only temporary while he is serving in the C.E.F. will relinquish his commission.

(Sgd) E.A. Ashton,
Major-General,
a/Adjutant-General.

University of Toronto
TORONTO, CANADA

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ROLL OF SERVICE

Offizier Gefangenenlager
Holzminden
Germany
1st July 1918

To Sir Robert Falconer
University of Toronto

We the undersigned graduates and undergraduates of the University of Toronto, at present Prisoners of War in Holzminden Lager, desire, on Dominion Day, to send to you and through you to the University in general our best wishes for the session 1918-1919, which doubtless will be about to begin by the time you receive this. Although now debarred from participation in the war we are proud of being amongst the 4000 Toronto Varsity men on active service.

H.S.Murton, Flt.Lt.,R.N.A.S.; U.C.'07, Osgoode '11.
A.H.M.Copeland, C.A.S.C.,& R.F.C.; U.C.'12.
Arthur S.Bourinot, 87th Can.Inf. att.R.F.C.; U.C.'15.
A.Holmes, Lieut.,Royal Dublin Fusiliers; U.C.'15, Wyc.'17.
N.J.Taylor, 2nd Lieut.,R.F.C.; U.C.'17.
Lawrence Kert, Lieut.,228th Bn.C.E.F.att.R.F.C.; U.C.'18.
F.C.Noxon, Lieut.,Lancashire Fusiliers; U.C.'18.
A.C.Dean, Lieut.,134th Bn.att.R.F.C.; U.C.'19.
C.Erskine Ogden, Lieut.R.A.F.; U.C.'17.
C.G.Robertson, Lt.44th Bn.Can.Inf.; S.P.S.'08.
W.B.Hutcheson, Lieut.C.E.& R.F.C.; S.P.S.'13.
T.W.Morse, Lt.75th Bn.att.R.F.C.;O.A.C.'16.
D.S.Weld, Lieut.,118th Can.Inf.& R.F.C.; O.A.C.'15.
C.J.W.McKeown, 2/ Lieut.,R.F.C.; U.of T.'19.
H.Cotton, Lt.148th Can., R.F.C.; O.A.C.'12.
W.Leggatt, Lt., R.A.F.; O.A.C. '18.

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HEADQUARTERS
ROYAL AIR FORCE,
TORONTO, CANADA.

TELEGRAMS:-
"AERONAUTICS"

TELEPHONE:-
"ADELAIDE 2380"

FRGH/ECS - 3.

Nov. 20th, 1918.

Sir Robert A. Falconer,
President - University of Toronto,
Toronto.

Dear Sir Robert:-

In the absence of General Hoare, I am answering your letter of the 18th instant.

We have not yet received orders to demobilize or any instructions for the disposal of our equipment, but I have little doubt that we shall be able to hand over to you any of the instructional equipment at present used by the School of Aeronautics which may be of value to the University.

I will communicate with you further as soon as I am in a position to make any definite proposals.

Yours sincerely,

Lieut-Colonel.
Officer i/c Aircraft Equipment.
Royal Air Force.
Canada.

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ROYAL AIR FORCE,
TORONTO, CANADA.

TELEGRAMS:-
"AERONAUTICS"

TELEPHONE:-
"ADELAIDE 2380"

JI/ECS - 4.

Dec. 4th, 1918.

Sir Robert A. Falconer,
President - University of Toronto,
Toronto.

Dear Sir:-

Reference your letter of the 27th ult., addressed to Lieut-Colonel Gurney Hoare, I have to inform you that authority has been received to donate you certain Aeroplanes, Engines and Equipment.

I am having list of material prepared, and I shall be glad to inform you in due course as to the equipment which will be allotted to you.

Yours truly,

Major for -
Brigadier-General.
General Officer Commanding.
Royal Air Force, Canada.

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HEADQUARTERS
ROYAL AIR FORCE,
TORONTO, CANADA.

TELEGRAMS:-
"AERONAUTICS"

TELEPHONE:-
"ADELAIDE 2380"

FAC/MCH - 3.

January 15th, 1919.

The President,
Toronto University,
Toronto.

Dear Sir:-

I attach list of Photographic Material handed over to you by No.4 School of Aeronautics before leaving the University Buildings.

I shall be glad to receive your formal acknowledgment in due course.

Yours truly,

Major for,
Brigadier General,
General Officer Commanding,
Royal Air Force, Canada.

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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF,
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Pictorial Section, War Plans Division, General Staff,
Army War College,
Washington, D. C.

(Attention - Major K. Banning)

FORM 20—O. C. S.
Ed. 10-21-15—50,000.

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WAR COLLEGE DIVISION

WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF

WASHINGTON

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July 22, 1918.

The President,
University of Toronto,
Toronto, Canada.

Dear Sir:

Accept the thanks of this office for the four photographs which were received today.

It is requested that you forward any additional photographs of a similar nature, which in your judgment should properly belong in the official files of the War Plans Division of the General Staff.

Yours very truly,

Kendall Banning

Major, Sig. R. C.

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TELEGRAPHIC AND CABLE ADDRESS
COMINISTER, LONDON

TELEPHONE : MAYFAIR, 6040

MINISTRY OF
OVERSEAS MILITARY FORCES OF CANADA

34 GROSVENOR STREET
LONDON, W. 1

FILE NO. I-22.

July 31, 1918.

Dear Sir Robert Falconer,

Captain C. G. Imrie.

With reference to Sir Edward Kemp's letter of July 18th, Captain Imrie will not proceed to Canada until about the middle of September, which will bring him home about the time requested by you. I hope this is satisfactory.

Yours faithfully,

Major,
Private Secretary.

Sir Robert Falconer, C.M.G.,
President, University of Toronto,
Toronto, Canada.

I/B.

34-Fa-230.

149 College Street, Toronto,
December 31st, 1918.

Sir Robt. A. Falconer,
President University of Toronto.

304672-Pte. T.S.G. FAWCETT.

Dear Sir:-

With reference to your letter of the 24th inst, addressed to Colonel Gunn, instructions have been issued for the discharge of the marginally noted man, which will be carried out immediately. I will advise, under seperate cover, what action is being taken in regard to the discharge of Pte. MELADY.

Major,
For A.A.G. M.D.#2.

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In reply please quote

MILITIA AND DEFENCE.

No. 2MD 34-2-39.

Military Headquarters, M.D.No.2.

N/E

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 19th, 1918.

TO;

Sir Robert A. Falconer,
President, University of Toronto.
Toronto, Ontario.

Dear Sir Robert;-

With reference to your communication regarding Dr. Hewitt, requesting that he be allowed to give a portion of his time to the Toronto General Hospital for teaching and Hospital Service.

I may state that it has been decided to allow him to undertake this work, as apparently it will not interfere with the work he is now employed in with the Medical Boards of this District.

Yours sincerely,

Charles Lathe

Lieut.Colonel, A.M.C.,
for Colonel, A.D.M.S., M.D.No.2.

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ROYAL AIR FORCE

~~IMPERIAL ROYAL FLYING CORPS.~~

CANADA.

No.4 School of Aeronautics.

Toronto, Ont. July 17th, 1918.

Sir Robert Falconer,
President of the University of Toronto.
Toronto, Ont.

Dear Sir Robert,-

I am enclosing photographs of the United States Army during their stay at the University of Toronto, as requested by you.

Yours truly,

Jno Cruikshank

Major,
Commandant No.4 School of Aeronautics,
Royal Air Force, Canada.

North House,
Victoria College.

July 18th, 1918

Major J. M. Cruikshank,
No.4 School of Aeronautics,
Royal Air Force, Canada.

Dear Major Cruikshank:

Many thanks for the photographs of the United States Army during their stay at the University of Toronto which I received this morning and which I am forwarding to Washington.

Yours sincerely,

President.

JWC/BRJ. 424

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ROYAL AIR FORCE
~~IMPERIAL ROYAL FLYING CORPS.~~
CANADA.

Toronto, November 18th, 1918.

Sir Robert Falconer,
President, University of Toronto,
Toronto.

My dear Sir Robert :-

I am in receipt of your letter dated 15th November re G. S. Laing. I have taken this matter up with Headquarters and hope to give you an answer in the affirmative in a very short while.

Yours very truly,

J. W. Smith

Lieutenant-Colonel,
Commandant No. 4 School of Aeronautics,
Royal Air Force, Canada.

North House,
Victoria College.

DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA AND DEFENCE
CANADA

E/D.

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Minister's Office,
Ottawa. November 20th., 1918.

Dear Sir Robert Falconer:-

With reference to a telegram which, on November the 15th., you addressed to General Mewburn, orders were issued yesterday to discharge immediately all such University students in training in Canada as desire to resume their studies.

Yours faithfully,

H. H. Ellis.

Captain,
for Private Secretary.

Sir Robert Falconer, K.C.M.G., LL.D.,
University of Toronto,
TORONTO, Ontario.

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HEADQUARTERS
ROYAL AIR FORCE,
TORONTO, CANADA.

TELEGRAMS:—
"AERONAUTICS"

TELEPHONE:—
"ADELAIDE 2380"

November 16th, 1918.

Dear Sir Robert:-

Reference your letter dated November 15th.

I am taking up the question of demobilization of students, or those who wish to become students, now in the R.A.F., with the Air Ministry, and in the event of my receiving sanction, will free them at the earliest date possible, giving them preferential treatment.

I fully realize the importance of their continuing their studies with the minimum of delay.

Yours faithfully,

Brigadier General,
Commanding Royal Air Force,
Canada.

Sir Robert Falconer,
President, University of Toronto,
Toronto.

December 20th, 1918

General Hoare,

Royal Air Force,

50 Church Street, Toronto.

Dear Sir:

I am sending you two additional requests made by our professors for apparatus which they would like to have if the Royal Air Force has not distributed all its equipment already. If you find it possible to let these gentlemen have what they ask for for the University purposes you will confer a further great favour on the University in addition to the many that we have already received.

Yours sincerely,

President.

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Miss Patterson.

Many thanks. I think that the Secy. War Office, (as the signature is undecipherable) should be notified of the non-receipt of the two letters — most coveted documents for us I assure you.

17/3/19.

W.M. Lang

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO
PRESIDENT'S OFFICE

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MEMORANDUM FOR Colonel Lang

March 17 1919

No letter was enclosed
so the President asked
me to let you see this.

A.H. Patterson
Secretary

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All further communications on this subject should be addressed to—
The Secretary,
War Office,
London, S.W. 1.
and the following number quoted.

WAR OFFICE,

LONDON, S.W. 1.

9/Officers Training Corps/580.
(S.D.3.b.)

28th February, 1919.

Sir,

I am commanded by the Army Council to say that a letter has been received from Major-General W.Gwatkin, C.B., C.M.G., Chief of the General Staff, Canada, stating that upwards of 400 members of the University of Toronto Contingent, Canadian Officers Training Corps cameto England during the progress of the war with the object of qualifying for temporary commissions in the Imperial Army.

I am to express the appreciation of the Army Council for the services rendered in this connection by yourself as President of the University, and I am to say that the patriotic spirit shown by these Cadets reflects great credit on the University authorities, as well as on the officers of the University Contingent, Canadian Officers Training Corps.

I am to ask that you will be good enough to transmit the enclosed letters to Colonel W.R.Lang and Major G.H.Needham, whose names have also been especially mentioned by Major-General Gwatkin in this connection.

I am,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

D. R. Curtis

Sir Robert Falconer, K.C.M.G.,
President,
University of Toronto,

M. F. B. 440.

MILITIA AND DEFENCE

In reply please quote

No. W.R.L. C.4.

Halifax, N.S., June 28th 1918

Sir Robert Falconer, K.C.M.G.,
University of Toronto,
Toronto, Ont.

Dear Sir Robert,

This letter will bear to you a breath of your native air, somewhat damp I must admit, and certainly so far by no means tropical!

You know that it has been the custom to give Mr T.A. Reed an honorarium each year for his yeoman services as Secretary and Paymaster of the C.O.T.C., and I desire to recommend that you authorize the issue to him of a cheque equivalent to the one he got last season. I cannot express too strongly the appreciation of all concerned of the faithful, patient and trying work which Reed does every year. It is largely due to him and to the Sgt. Major that we have not to pay large sums regularily for lost clothing and equipment, and the remarks on his equipment ledgers by the Q.M.G. department are always most complimentary and a testimonial of the careful and methodical manner in which these are kept.

With all the responsible and senior officers on active service I do not know how the Corps would have got along without him. Perhaps you will take this up with Major Needler, who is the senior officer left in the City, and arrange for his honorarium.

With kindest regards, believe me to be,

Yours sincerely,

W. Hughes.

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October 16th, 1918

Colonel Osborne, C.M.G.,

Military Secretary,

Department of Militia and Defence, Ottawa.

Dear Colonel Osborne:

Last spring I sent you a letter containing an account of the expense to which the University was put for providing military instruction for two classes of students during the last winter session; one, the students in Medicine, Dentistry and Veterinary Science who were under regular military discipline; the other, regular undergraduates for whom we made military instruction compulsory. The University has had no word from the Government with regard to the payment of last year's account. Now, at the beginning of another session, we find it necessary again to provide military instruction. Part of this as before is for medical students who are serving under the Military Service Act. The Governors do not feel that they are constrained to give this training, but unquestionably we can do it better than any one else can on account of time-table arrangements. Am I asking too much of you to request that you would find out for us from the proper authority in Ottawa whether it is the intention to reimburse the University for the work done last year and to guarantee the payment for similar work for the forthcoming year? I am also writing to General Fotheringham.

Yours sincerely,

President.

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OVERSEAS MILITARY FORCES OF CANADA

LONDON AREA,

13 BERNERS STREET, LONDON.W.1.

Ref.
(L.A.60-1-6/161018)

October 16th. 1918.

To: - The Officer Commanding,
No 4 Canadian General Hospital,
BASINGSTOKE.

EQUIPMENT, PROPERTY
OF
TORONTO UNIVERSITY.

With further reference to your A.M.D.3/28-4-4 of 20th August last and my letter of the 26th idem regarding the marginally noted subject. Will you kindly note that credit has been allowed by the Financial Secretary, War Office to the amount of Five thousand, two hundred and thirty six pounds, five shillings and elevenpence (£5,236-5-11.) for the equipment belonging to the Toronto University, taken over by the Imperials at Salonica.

This amount has been credited to the Paymaster - General at Ottawa, who has been requested to make payment to Sir Robert Falconer, President of the University.

(Sgd) P. Scott,
Captain & Quartermaster,
For. A.D.M.S. CANADIANS, L.A.

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H. Q. 372-2-665.

Department of Militia and Defence.

Ottawa, Canada,

3rd January, 1918

Sir Robert Falconer,
President, Toronto University,
Toronto, Ont.

Capt.William Goldie,C.A.M.C.

Dear Sir,

Your letter of December 30th, 1918, addressed to Major-General Fotheringham, has been passed by the Director General to this Sub-Branch for the necessary action. I beg to advise that the Director General, Overseas Military Forces of Canada, has been communicated with and requested to take such action as may be found to be possible.

Yours sincerely

W. Rose

for Lt.Colonel, A.D.M.S.
For A/ D.G.M.S.

July 18th, 1918

Colonel Weeks,

Chief of Staff,

War Department,

Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

About a month ago you wrote asking for photographs of the United States Army during their stay at the University of Toronto, and I am now sending you several under separate cover which have been procured from the Royal Air Force.

Yours sincerely,

President.

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DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA AND DEFENCE
CANADA

Minister's Office,
Ottawa, Oct. 18'16.

Dear Sir,-

In the absence of Colonel Osborne who is at present in the West with The Honourable the Minister, I have to acknowledge receipt of your letters to him of the 16th. instant, and to inform you that the subjects referred to therein shall be brought to his attention immediately on his return.

Yours very truly,

Charles F. Winter,
Colonel,
for Military Secretary.

Sir Robert Falconer, K.C.M.G., M.A., &c, &c,
President, University of Toronto,
T O R O N T O, Ont.